

Donisthorpe Primary School Newsletter

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Monday 10th July 2023

THANK YOU!

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another school year, I wanted to send a sincere thank you to all of our parents and carers for their support this academic year.

I am sure that you will all join me in thanking the entire staff team for their hard work as they continue to do their very best for our

Donisthorpe children- this is what makes our school so special.

Last week, children all 'moved up' to their new classes and our Year 6 children spent time at their new schools. It was great to see everyone ready for the challenge of a new academic year by spending such a positive time with their new class teachers. We know how nervous some children (and parents) are at this time of year but the children are so adaptable and enjoy every opportunity to get to know their new teachers. Our new Donisthorpe children have also been spending time in the EYFS classroom- it was so lovely to see them all so settled!



Farewell Year 6!

As the academic year ends, we will certainly be sad to say goodbye to our amazing group of Year 6 children and their families. I know that tonight's Year 6 leavers show will be a resounding success and we will all be very proud of their efforts- their week of excitement doesn't end as tomorrow it is their reward day at Drayton Manor and the have their leaving celebration on Wednesday.

The Year 6 children have definitely made the most of every opportunity they have been given and we will never forget them! Although we are sad to see them go, we are also happy knowing that they are well prepared for the next stage of their educational journey. The children will now have even more opportunities available to them, and I am sure they will continue to thrive at secondary school. We all have so many fond memories of the children and will look forward to hearing about their journey in the future.



Communication with Parents/Carers Survey

Excellent links between school and home are really important to us. As a school, we are constantly looking at ways that we can improve communication further. We currently communicate in a variety of different ways, but we are aware that sometimes information is missed. Please complete this quick survey to help us improve further. Click on the link below!

<https://forms.office.com/e/9YcKj8fqQu>

SATS- Congratulations

Tomorrow we receive the Year 6 SATs results; we were so proud of how the children coped during the test week. Year 6 parents will be given the children's results tomorrow.

School dinner costs

Unfortunately, the impact of continuing rising food costs means that we will be putting up the cost of school meals from the Autumn Term. **The new cost for a school meal will be £2.55 per day, £12.75 per week starting from when school reopens in August.**



Community Spirit Award

In Friday's Special Mentions Assembly, Cllr Helen Gravett and Cllr Amy Hancock-George were happy to award the prestigious Community Spirit Award to our two winners from Year 6. The winners for this award are voted for by all members of staff and it is not awarded for academic ability, but for demonstrating 'The Donisthorpe Way' over their time at our school. Well done also to our two runners up, who also received many votes and to our Maths Award winner.

Change to School Opening Hours Reminder for next academic year!

This means that from the beginning of the Autumn Term (August 2023) we will need to make some changes to the timings of the school day. After the summer break, our new school opening hours will be:

Doors open at 8.30am
Registration at 8.45am
School closes at 3.15pm



Changes to drop off:

EYFS children need to be brought to the playground gate in the morning.

Year 1 and Year 2 children should be brought to the playground gate in the morning.

Year 3 to 6 should still be brought to the first doors on the path into school as usual.

Changes to collection:

At the end of the day EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children can be collected from their classroom doors. Year's 3 to 6 will be released from under the canopy. Parents might need to rethink where they stand at the end of the day.

This will be my last newsletter of the year so I would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on **Tuesday 29th August 2023.**

Regards,



Sylvie Newman
Executive Headteacher